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Sect: _____

VERDICT REPORT

After reviewing the case file, please write the verdict your group has decided upon for each major question in the *Amistad* case. Then, list the support you have for your decision. You must make it clear how these previous laws, lower court decisions, or historical facts support your decision.

1. Should the Africans be punished for mutiny and murder? Why or why not?
mutiny – open rebellion against constituted authority (Webster's Dictionary)

Support:

2. Who has the right to the *Amistad* and its cargo? Does that cargo include the Africans?

Support:

3. Are the Africans property? Who has the right to decide what happens to them?

Support: